

March 1, 2019

VIA HAND DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02888

RE: Docket 4763 – Standards for Connecting Distributed Generation, RIPUC No. 2180 Annual Report

Dear Ms. Massaro:

In compliance with the Public Utilities Commission's Open Meeting decision on September 6, 2018 in the above-referenced docket, I have enclosed ten copies of National Grid's¹ annual report containing the following information regarding Pre-Application Reports under Section 3.2 of the DG Tariff:

1. The weekly average of Pre-Application Reports for the prior calendar year;
2. The weekly minimum and maximum number of Pre-Application Reports for the prior calendar year; and
3. The number of delays that were issued due to exceeding a reasonable number of applications under review during the prior calendar year.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at 401-784-7288.

Very truly yours,



Jennifer Brooks Hutchinson

Enclosures

cc: Docket 4763 Service List
Jonathan Shrag, Division
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¹ The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (National Grid or Company).

**Standards for Connecting Distributed Generation
RIPUC No. 2180
Pre-Application Reports Annual Report
Docket No. 4763
March 1, 2019**

National Grid¹ is filing this report with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) in compliance with the PUC's Open Meeting decision on September 6, 2018 in Docket No. 4763, which required the Company to file an annual report with the PUC by March 1, containing the following information: (1) the weekly average of Pre-Application Reports for the prior calendar year; (2) the weekly minimum and maximum number of Pre-Application Reports for the prior calendar year; and (3) the number of delays that were issued due to exceeding a reasonable number of applications under review during the prior calendar year. Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such terms in the Standards for Connecting Distributed Generation, RIPUC No. 2180 (DG Tariff).

Pursuant to the PUC's decision in the above-referenced docket, National Grid is providing the following information regarding Pre-Application Reports under Section 3.2 of the DG Tariff.

1. The weekly average of Pre-Application Reports for the prior calendar year;
2. The weekly minimum and maximum number of Pre-Application Reports for the prior calendar year; and
3. The number of delays that were issued due to exceeding a reasonable number of applications under review during the prior calendar year.

This is the first Annual Report to be filed under Section 3.2 of the DG Tariff since the PUC's approval of the Company's tariff advice on September 6, 2018 in Docket No. 4763 and, therefore, will cover the time period of September 6, 2018 through December 31, 2018 (referred to herein as the DG Annual Report). In the future, the Company intends for the DG Annual Report to cover the time period spanning January 1 through December 31 of the applicable calendar years in order to align the report with the annual filing of the Company's Performance Incentive Mechanism Annual Report in Docket No. 4770.

¹ The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (referred to herein as National Grid or the Company).

**Annual Pre-Application Reports for the Period of
September 6, 2018 through December 31, 2018**

Metric	Count
Weekly Average of Pre-Application Reports	6
Weekly Minimum of Pre-Application Reports	1
Weekly Maximum of Pre-Application Reports	19
Delays in Delivering Pre-Application Reports	23 ²
Total Pre-Application Requests Received	110

² This number reflects the number of instances in which the Company delivered a pre-application later than the time allowed under the tariff between the period of September 4, 2018 and October 4, 2018. The reason for the delays in this particular instance was competing priorities for case owners and not the volume of applications. To address this issue, the Customer Energy Integration (CEI) group transitioned the pre-application task from the case owners to the Application Development Team, a division within CEI. Since October 4, 2018, there have been no delays in delivering the pre-application reports. The average number of days to deliver a pre-application report was 6 days out of the 10 days allowed by the DG Tariff.

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the cover letter and any materials accompanying this certificate was electronically transmitted to the individuals listed below.

The paper copies of this filing are being hand delivered to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission and to the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers.



Joanne M. Scanlon

March 1, 2019
Date

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